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SUBJECT:IMCO: MARINE POLLUTION CONFERENCE: OFFICERS

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(D) LONDON 9609

1. RESPONSE TO LONDON REFTELS FOLLOWS FOR RECORD, ALTHOUGH WE UNDERSTAND FROM LONDON 9811 THAT WEBB COVERED POINTS IN MEETING WITH MCQUEEN AND GUIDANCE IS NO LONGER REQUIRED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

2. OUR VIEWS ON SELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR OCTOBER MARINE POLLUTION CONFERENCE CONTINUE TO RUN ALONG LINES SET OUT REF A. SPECIFICALLY, WE HOPE TO SEE LINDENCRONA (SWEDEN) CHAIR COMMITTEE I, SPINELLI (ITALY) CHAIR COMMITTEE II, AND LAKEY (US) CHAIR COMMITTEE III. IF AVAILABLE, OUR PREFERENCE FOR CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE IV WOULD BE MASLOW (USSR)

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3. FOR REASONS HIGHLIGHTED IN REF C, WE DO NOT WISH TO PROMOTE VILLANIM (PHILIPPINES) AS CONFERENCE PRESIDENT. WE CONCUR IT COULD BE DESIRABLE FOR TACTICAL REASONS TO SELECT AN LDC CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT OF CONFERENCE, PROVIDED OTHERWISE QUALIFIED, BUT WE DO NOT FEEL WE HAVE PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES CLEARLY ENOUGH IN VIEW AT THIS STAGE TO EXPRESS A PREFERENCE.

4. WE HOPE IN SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATIONS EMBASSY MAY HAVE

WITH UK OFFICIALS, IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO HARMONIZE PREFERENCES FOR COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN (PARA 1 ABOVE AND REF D PARA 3), NOTING THAT OUR PREFERENCES ARE WITH RESPECT TO SPECIFIC COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS WE HAVE IN MIND FOR EACH.

5. EMBASSY SHOULD COORDINATE IF POSSIBLE WITH COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT LAKEY, WHO IS PRESENTLY IN LONDON AT IMCO MEETING AND LEFT WASHINGTON WITH UNDERSTANDING FOREGOING WAS TO BE CONVEYED TO UK. ROGERS

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